



Town of Groton, Connecticut

Meeting Agenda

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RTM Education Committee

Chairman Keith Hedrick, Representatives Alicia Bauer, Genevieve Cerf, Rosanne Kotowski, Jackie Massett, Scott Newsome, Pam Ryley, Richard Semeraro and Amanda Whewell

Wednesday, February 13, 2013

6:30 PM

Groton Senior Center-Classroom A

SPECIAL MEETING

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- 4. NEW BUSINESS**

2012-0321 Reallocation of CIP Funds to Fitch High School Roof Replacement

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REALLOCATION OF \$235,000 WITHIN THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND TO THE FITCH HIGH SCHOOL ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, \$600,000 was approved in the FYE 2013 capital improvement budget for a project to replace a portion of roof at Fitch High School, and

WHEREAS, the cost to replace the roof exceeds the allocation by approximately \$200,000, and

WHEREAS, \$270,000 was approved in the FYE 2013 capital improvement budget to replace the boilers at S. B. Butler Elementary School, of which \$110,000 was transferred to the Mary Morrison Asbestos Floor Tile Replacement project, and

WHEREAS, the project at S. B. Butler is complete with a surplus of \$35,000, and

WHEREAS, \$1,385,800 was approved in the FYE 2012 capital improvement budget for Middle School Modifications, and

WHEREAS, the project at the middle schools is nearing completion with an estimated surplus of \$200,000, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes the reallocation of \$35,000 from the S. B. Butler Boiler Replacement project (#5G) and \$200,000 from the Middle School Modifications project to the Fitch High School Roof Replacement project (#5H).

Legislative History

11/19/2012	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the W
11/27/2012	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	

Town Manager Oefinger explained that William Robarge, the new Director of Buildings and Grounds for Groton Public Schools, has provided preliminary information on a request to reallocate CIP funds to the Fitch High School Roof Replacement project. The state is requiring that the roof pitch be increased which has raised the cost of the project by \$200,000. Funds will come from the middle school consolidation project. Mr. Robarge expects to have more exact numbers soon and this item will be placed on a future agenda. Councilor Watson stated he would like to know that status of the request for waiver of the roof pitch.

12/4/2012 Town Council Committee of Not Discussed
the Whole

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the Whole

William Robarge, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, reviewed the issue. A portion of the Fitch High School roof is being replaced. The original cost estimate was \$625,000. The State Department of Education Bureau of School Facilities subsequently asked for an additional ½" pitch for the roof, which raises the cost to approximately \$800,000. Two appeals were requested and both were denied. The portable classroom project at West Side and Cutler Middle Schools has a balance of \$200,000. There is also \$35,000 remaining in the S. B. Boiler project. Mr. Robarge is requesting reallocation of those funds to the Fitch High School Roof Replacement project.

Mr. Robarge explained that the change in the roof pitch requires the addition of roof drains and other modifications. The state's denial letters indicated that they need more justification than additional cost to grant relief. Councilor Morton asked why the design professional did not know about the need for more pitch. Mr. Robarge noted that the original cost estimate was not based on design. The additional pitch is to reduce snow load and increase drainage.

12/11/2012 Town Council Committee of Recommended for a
the Whole Resolution

12/18/2012 Town Council Deleted from Referral List -
Action to be taken

12/18/2012 Town Council Adopted and Referred Representative Town Meeting
It was noted that the Board of Education has applied for a waiver twice and was denied both times.

1/9/2013 Representative Town Meeting Referred RTM Education Committee

5. **Consideration of Committee Referral Items as per Referral List**

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

For the committee to meet, we need a quorum. Please let the clerk's office (441-6643) know ASAP if you will not be able to attend this meeting.